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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please ~~amend~~ the application as follows:

In the Specification:

On page 1, ~~after~~ the title of the invention, please ~~insert~~ the following paragraph:

Related Co-pending Application

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This application is a continuation of co-pending U.S. application serial no. 08/924,707,
filed on August 29, 1997, having as Inventors Timothy E. Moses et al. entitled "Method and
Apparatus for obtaining Status of Public Key Certificate Updates" and owned by instant
Assignee.

In the Claims:

Please delete Claims 1-7, 9, 10, 16, 17-23, 25 and 26 without prejudice.